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**INTRODUCTION:**

Niagara University is committed to having a healthy and beautiful campus that is enjoyed by all as a great place to work and study.

The purpose of this policy is to comply with the New York State Public Health Law and to actively promote a healthy campus that is free of smoke, tobacco and related debris.

It is our intention to foster the health, safety and beauty of our university community by becoming a smoke and tobacco free campus.

**SCOPE**

All faculty, staff, students, vendors, contractors and visitors to the University.

**POLICY:**

Effective August 31, 2009 smoking is not allowed within any building or other enclosed facility on the Niagara University Campus and is only allowed in temporary designated areas as indicated by maps and signage. Smoking is not permitted in university vehicles in any location, or any other vehicle within 50 feet of a building on campus.

Temporary designated smoking areas shall be identified by the placement of a receptacle for cigarette/cigar butts affixed with a "Smoking Area" label. A campus map displaying the smoking areas with receptacles shall be posted on the NU website. (See attached map). Smoking is allowed only within 6 feet of a designated receptacle. All smoking debris must be extinguished and placed in the receptacles.

The university will foster educational programming and encourage participation in smoking cessation and "Smoke-Enders" programs on and off campus.

**PROCEDURE:**

The success of this policy depends on the thoughtfulness, consideration and cooperation of everyone on campus. It is expected that all understand the university's concerns for the health and safety our community and our desire to have a campus that is free of tobacco debris. Therefore, we fully expect that as responsible and courteous persons, all will share in the responsibility for adhering to the policy and feel free to remind others of it. If necessary, any member of the campus community may call recurring problems to the attention of Campus Safety or Human Resources.